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SUBJECT: OFFICIAL US CLAIMS AGAINST EGYPT: TITLE DEED FOR USIS  
AMERICAN CENTER

REF (A) CAIRO 4605 (B) STATE 072247

1. AMBASSADOR RECEIVED LETTER MAY 4 FROM AHMAD FARAG TAYI, LAWYER FOR FORMER OWNER SIDNAWI PROPERTY, (USIS AMERICAN CENTER). LETTER ENCLOSES DOCUMENTS IN ARABIC WHICH INDICATE TAYI( HAS PROPOSED SOLUTION TO MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND ALSO SENT LETTER TO SEQUESTRATION DEPARTMENT URGING NO RPT NO ACTION BE TAKEN REGARDING PROPERTY PENDING EXAMINATION BY THE COURT. LETTER TO AMBASSADOR CONCLUDES "I AM SURE THAT WHEN YOU READ THESE PAPERS YOU WILL NOT ACCEPT TO TAKE THIS VILLA IN COMPENSATION OF THE LIBRARY WHICH WAS BURNT. I AM ALSO SURE THAT YOU WILL DECLINE TO BE A PARTY TO THOSE WHO INFLICTED INHUMAN INJUSTICE ON THAT POOR LADY WHO WAS ILLEGALLY DRIVEN OUT OF HER VILLA BY FORCE, AND THE SEQUESTRATION AUTHORITIES OFFER HER AN INDEMINITY OF A TRIFLE SUM OF LE 7718 ( SEVEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTEEN EGYPTIAN POUNDS). THAT SUM WILL NOT SUFFICE TO BUY A MISERABLE APARTMENT OF TWO ROOMS IN THE BASEMENT OF ANY VILLA IN GARDEN CITY."

2. EMBASSY HAS NOT RPT NOT ACKNOWLEDTED

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RECEIPT OF LETTER. WE ARE SENDING LETTER AND ENCLOSURES TO

MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS MOHAMAD RIAD UNDER COVER OF A LETTER FROM AMBASSADOR REFERRING TO PREVIOUS CONVERSATIONS AND STATING THAT EMBASSY IS FORWARDING DOCUMENTS FOR APPROPRIATE MFA ACTION WITHOUT HAVING ACKNOWLEDGED RECEIPT OF THEM TO LAWYER AHMED FARAG TAYI'. THIS IS IN ACCORDANCE WITH RIAD'S AND MFA'S REQUEST THAT WE DO NOT ENTER INTO DIRECT CONTACT WITH FORMER OWNER OF HER LAYER. FURTHERMORE, RIAD HAS BEEN DESIGNATED TO HANDLE OFFICIAL CLAIMS AND WE BELIEVE LETTER TO HIM WILL BE MORE EFFECTIVE THAN ANOTHER FORMAL NOTE TO MFA.

3. EMBASSY HAS REVIEWED STATE 072247 AND CONCLUDED THAT THIS CASE MAY COME UNDER 2 FAM 284.4 (SOVEREIGN IMMUNITY), IF IN FACT LANDLORD HAS FILED SUIT OR DOES FILE SUIT IN FUTURE AGAINST USG. IF THIS ASSUMPTION CORRECT, DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO ADVISE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.  
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